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BELYAEV's INFORMATION ON AIRCRAFT AND HIS CONNECTION WITH "BLERIOT" (1944)

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The engineer Petr Aleksandrovich BELYAEV is working [B₃ as an inspector] of the "STORE[MAGAZIN]" [i] in LOS ANGELES at the "DOUGLAS" and "LOCKHEED" plants. BELYAEV is well informed as to the situation at the plants. He told me that valuable intelligence was being lost in as much as [4 groups unrecovered]. At one time he used to work with "BLERIOT[BLERIO]" [ii] and, as BELYAEV [4-group-unrecovered], "we used to send home first rate intelligence". [1 group garbled] whether BELYAEV was connected with "BLERIOT" [2nd group unrecovered]. If so please vet BELYAEV and authorise his [D₃ signing on]. [a]

BELYAEV ^{linked over instructions} [is going to be instructed] on the night fighter "P-70" which he considers most valuable and unknown to us. State whether this information is to be signalled to you.

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CHARON[KhARON][iii]

Note : [a] The word actually used is "consultation [KONSUL'TATsIYa]" but it is thought more likely that this was encoded in error for "signing on [KONTRAKTATsIYa]", which is usually found in similar contexts.

Comments: [i] STORE : Soviet Purchasing Commission.

[ii] BLERIOT : Unidentified cover-name. - Shumovskiy?

[iii] CHARON : Grigorij Markovich KhEJFETs, Soviet Vice-Consul in SAN FRANCISCO.

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